

PATENT
U.S. Attorney Docket No.: SP00-130

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Serial No: 09/833,540) Art Group Unit: 1731
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Filing Date: 4/11/2001) Examiner: Lopez, Carlos N.
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Title: SUBSTANTIALLY DRY, SILICA-)
CONTAINING SOOT, FUSED
SILICA AND OPTICAL FIBER
SOOT PREFORMS, APPARATUS,
METHODS AND BURNER FOR
MANUFACTURING SAME)

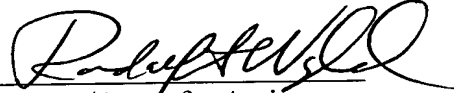
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND TO OFFICIAL ACTION

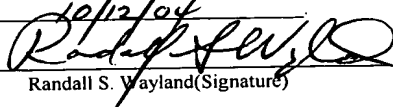
Applicants, through counsel, respectfully request a one (1) month extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), or such other extension of time as is necessary, to respond to the Office Action dated September 28, 2004 currently due. Please charge the fee of \$110.00, and any additional fees or surcharges necessary to make this response timely, to the deposit account of the undersigned corporation, Deposit Account No. 03-3325, and credit any overpayment.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: 10/12/04


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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.8: I hereby certify that this paper and any papers referred to herein are being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service, as first class mail, postage prepaid, addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on 10/12/04


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